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SUBJECT: DUTCH SUPPORT FOR NEW GREEK GOVERNMENT

REF: THE HAGUE 3684

1. DUTCH GOVERNMENT HAS CONTINUED ITS POLICY OF
EXPRESSING STRONG PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR NEW GREEK GOVERN-
MENT. FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED BY FOREIGN
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"IN GOVERNMENT DECLARATION MADE BY PRIME MINISTER

KARAMANLIS ON JULY 25, FOCUS WAS ON SOLUTION OF PROBLEM AROUND CYPRUS.

"IN VIEW OF THE GREAT IMPORTANCE FOR PEACE, NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT HOPES, EARLY SOLUTION WILL BE FOUND, WHEREBY TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, INVIOABILITY OF THE ISLAND AND SECURITY OF THE POPULATION WILL BE RESPECTED AND A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER WILL BE SAFEGUARDED.

"THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE GREEK GOVERNMENT ALSO ATTACHES TO FINDING A WAY TOWARDS REAL PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATIC RELATIONS, WITH A PLACE FOR ALL GREEKS, IS A CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION FOR THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT.

"THE FIRST HOPEFUL SIGNS, SUCH AS THE RETURN OF POLITICAL PRISONERS AND EXILES, HAVE ALREADY BECOME EVIDENT IN THE PAST FEW DAYS.

"THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT HOPES THAT GREECE, ONCE A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY HAS BEEN RESTORED THERE, WILL BE ABLE TAKE UP ITS PLACE AGAIN IN COUNCIL OF EUROPE.

"IF THE PRESENT DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED IN A POSITIVE WAY, THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT WOULD BE FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARDS RECONSIDERATION OF EEC POLICY IN RESPECT OF GREECE."

2. LOCAL PRESS HAS ALSO GIVEN FULL COVERAGE TO MESSAGE OF THANKS TO FONMIN VAN DER STOEL FOR HIS "EFFORTS RESTORE DEMOCRACY IN GREENCE" FROM GREEK AMBASSADOR TO THE HAGUE. CABLED FROM ATHENS, AMBASSADOR COTTAKIS' MESSAGE SAID: "AT THIS HISTORIC MOMENT FOR MY COUNTRY I FEEL THE NEED TO EXPRESS TO YOU ALL MY PERSONAL GRATITUDE FOR YOUR WISE AND INDEFATIGABLE EFFORTS TO RESTORE NORMAL DEMOCRACY IN GREECE. ALL YOUR MANY FRIENDS HERE AND THE GREEK PEOPLE THANK YOU WARMLY FOR YOUR INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THAT EFFECT. (SIGNED) MICHAEL COTTAKIS."

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